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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR MCNAMIS

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ITEM NO: WH-95

DATE: 29 JAN 74

SUBJECT: HANOI EMPHASIZES POLITICAL STRUGGLE IN THE SOUTH

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A RECENT LAO

DONG PARTY MEETING--PROBABLY THE 21ST CENTRAL COMMITTEE PLANNING--  
HAD DECIDED TO GIVE PRIORITY TO THE POLITICAL RATHER THAN TO THE  
MILITARY STRUGGLE IN SOUTH VIETNAM.

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THE CURRENT CAMPAIGN TO INCREASE THE STRENGTH AND PRESTIGE  
OF THE PRG WAS ONE ASPECT OF THE POLITICAL STRUGGLE.

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THE RECONSTRUCTION EFFORT IN THE NORTH IS  
LIKELY TO BENEFIT FROM THE DECISION, ALTHOUGH THE  
NORTH VIETNAMESE LEADERSHIP WAS NOT SUITED BY ABILITY OR TEMPERA-  
MENT TO RUN A PEACETIME ECONOMY.

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EUROPEANS HAD URGED HANOI TO DEVOTE ITS ENERGIES TO RECON-  
STRUCTION AND PEACEFUL MEANS OF PURSUING THE STRUGGLE.

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